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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request that U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/697,005, filed October 25, 2000, be expressly abandoned under 37 C.F.R. §1.138 in favor of a divisional patent application filed on November 16, 2004 as U.S. Serial No. 10/990,074.

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